

## General Information

### Faculty

**Robert R. Bass, M.D., F.A.C.E.P.** has been the Executive Director of the Maryland Institute for EMS since 1994. Dr. Bass is currently the President of the National Association of State EMS Officials and the Immediate-Past President of the National Association of EMS Physicians. He is currently a member of the Committee on the Future of Emergency Care in the United States which is sponsored by the National Academies of Science Institute of Medicine.

**Joshua Sharfstein, M.D.** has been the Commissioner of Health in Baltimore City since December 2005. Dr. Sharfstein recently chaired the Baltimore City Task Force on ED Overcrowding in June 2006. Dr. Sharfstein is a board-certified pediatrician who served for 5 years as a senior aide to Congressman Henry A. Waxman on the Democratic staff of the Government Reform Committee.

**Bruce Siegel, M.D., M.P.H.** is the Director of *Urgent Matters*, an initiative of The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation to help hospitals eliminate emergency department crowding and help communities understand the challenges facing the health care safety net.

**Peter Viccellio, M.D.** *Clinical Professor, Vice Chair and Clinical Director, Emergency Department and Department of Emergency Medicine, Stony Brook University Hospital and Medical Center.* Dr. Viccellio has instituted a full capacity protocol (aka "Adopt a Boarder") at Stony Brook University Hospital which has been emulated nationwide, with data demonstrating impact on patient flow, patient safety, length of stay and patient satisfaction.

### Location

The Conference Center at the Maritime Institute is located just minutes from Baltimore/Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport and AMTRAK. Complimentary shuttle service is available to and from both locations. MITAGS is accessible throughout the Mid-Atlantic region via I-95, MD-295, and MD-695. There is free parking for over 600 vehicles.

### Directions

**From BWI Airport** – From airport ramp take I-195 to the Baltimore/Washington Parkway (MD-295 North). Continue to the West Nursery Road exit. At the end of exit, bear right onto West Nursery Road. Go to first traffic light and turn left onto International Drive. Go to first street and turn left onto Aero Drive. Proceed two blocks and through gate onto CCMIT property.

**From BWI Amtrak** – At light, turn left onto Route 170 (Camp Meade Rd). Continue on Rt 170 to I-195. Follow this to Baltimore/Washington Parkway (MD-295 North). Follow MD-295 North to the West Nursery Road exit. At the end of exit, bear right onto West Nursery Road. Go to first light and turn left onto International Drive. Go to the first street and turn left onto Aero Drive. Proceed two blocks and through gate onto CCMIT property.

**From South via Baltimore/Washington Parkway (MD-295)** – Go North to the West Nursery Road exit (just after the BWI exit). Bear right at end of ramp onto West Nursery Road. Go to first accessible light and turn left onto International Drive. Go to first street and turn left onto Aero Drive. Proceed two blocks and through gate onto CCMIT property.

**From South via I-95** – Go North to I-195 East. Take I-195 East to MD-295 North. Proceed as above.

### Contact Information

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# Maryland Emergency Department Overcrowding Leadership Summit

September 25, 2006  
9:00 am – 4:00 pm

Maritime Institute of Technology  
Training and Conference Center  
Linthicum, Maryland

**Target Participants:**  
**Hospital Board Chairs, CEOs,**  
**Physicians and Nurse Directors**

# Maryland Emergency Department Overcrowding Summit Registration (PLEASE PRINT)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Organization \_\_\_\_\_  
 Conference Fee (Lunch Included): \$25 \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to MIEMSS. Send your check, along with this form, to the MIEMSS Office of Special Programs, 653 W. Pratt St., Baltimore, MD 21201. Registrations will be accepted until September 13, 2006 only if space is available.

## Conference Schedule

- 8:00 a.m. **Registration**
- 8:30 a.m. **CEO and Board Chair Breakfast Reception**
- 9:00 a.m. **Welcome and Opening Remarks**  
*S. Anthony McCann, Secretary,*  
 Maryland Department of Health  
 and Mental Hygiene  
*Cal Pierson, President*  
 Maryland Hospital Association  
*Robert Bass, M.D., Executive Director*  
 Maryland Institute for EMS
- 9:30 a.m. **Break**
- 9:45 a.m. **Overview of Baltimore City Task Force Report on Emergency Department Crowding**  
*Joshua Sharfstein, M.D.*
- 10:15 a.m. **Robert Wood Johnson Urgent Matters Initiative**  
*Bruce Siegel, M.D.*
- 11:00 a.m. **MD Patient Safety Center Collaborative-Panel of Maryland Hospitals**
- 12:00 noon **Discussion**
- 12:15 p.m. **Lunch**
- 1:15 p.m. **The Full Capacity Protocol; "Adopt a Boarder"**  
*Peter Viccellio, M.D.*
- 2:00 p.m. **Breakout Sessions/ Brainstorming Solutions**
- 3:00 p.m. **Breakout Highlights**
- 3:30 p.m. **Next Steps**

MIEMSS and MHA are applying for Physician, Nurse and Hospital Administration Continuing Ed Credits.

## The Program

During the past year, Maryland has experienced continued challenges with emergency department overcrowding, delays in emergency department patient care, and ambulance diversions. The impact on emergency department patients, emergency medical services, and health care providers is a growing concern. In early spring 2006 in Baltimore City alone, the situation neared crisis proportions and the Baltimore City Health Department and Baltimore City Fire Department formed a City Task Force that developed a report of findings and recommendations "to address patient inflow, throughput, and outflow from the emergency department." Similarly, at the national level, the Institute of Medicine developed a three volume report of recommendations entitled "The Future of Emergency Care in the United States Health System" released in June 2006.

The Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services and the Maryland Hospital Association are pleased to present the Maryland Emergency Department Overcrowding Summit as an opportunity to continue to identify strategies and solutions to this ongoing problem.

Come participate in discussions with national and local speakers on innovative hospital solutions to the complex issues related to Emergency Department overcrowding.

This summit is sponsored by MIEMSS & MHA



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